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## MEETING OF MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003 AT 2:00 PM

## TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COUNCIL

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER 111 NW FIRST STREET MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

### 18th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 18-2

## PRELIMINARY AGENDA

- I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - Meeting February 10, 2003
- III. CTAC UPDATE
- IV. ACTION ITEMS
  - A. LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF A LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR THE MIAMI-MIAMI BEACH TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR (BAY LINK) STUDY

**B. PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT** 

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) AND GANNETT FLEMING, INC TO UPDATE THE LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP) TO THE YEAR 2030

- V. INFORMATION ITEMS
  - A. TRANSPORTATION ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT (TOD) MASTER PLANS AND ORDINANCES FOR US 1 BUSWAY EXTENSION COMMUNITY URBAN CENTERS (CUCs)
  - B. DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN
  - C. FY 2004 DRAFT UPWP

PLEASE SUBMIT AGENDA ITEMS TO THE TPC SECRETARIAT BEFORE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2003. ALL ITEMS THAT FAIL TO MEET THIS DEADLINE WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT MONTH AGENDA.

# TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COUNCIL (TPC) METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA

# MEETING OF MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003 2:00 P.M. CONFERENCE ROOM 18-2

#### **SUMMARY MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Mr. Jose-Luis Mesa, TPC Chairperson. The following members were present:

- 1. Jose-Luis Mesa, MPO Secretariat, TPC Chairperson
- 2. Lee Rawlinson, Planning & Zoning
- 3. Manuel Rodriguez, Miami Dade Aviation
- 4. Lilia Medina, City of Miami
- 5. Subrata Basu, Dade League of Cities
- 6. Vivian Villaamil, Miami Dade Public Schools
- 7. Carl Fielland, Seaport
- 8. Joseph Johnson, City of Miami Beach
- 9. Gary Donn, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
- 10. Doug Yoder, Department of Environmental Resource Management (DERM)
- 11. Irma Plummer, City of North Miami
- 12. Servando Parapar, Miami Dade Expressway Authority (MDX))
- 13. Jorge Hernandez, City of Hialeah
- 14. Christina Miskis, South Florida Regional Planning Council
- 15. Irma San Roman, MPO Secretariat (Non-Voting)

The sign-in sheets listing staff and other visitors present at the meeting are available on file at the TPC Secretariat. A recorded tape of the meeting is also available at the TPC Secretariat.

## I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Mesa asked if there were any additions, deletions or modifications to the agenda. Ms. San Roman stated that there was none.

Mr. Rawlinson moved for approval of the agenda. Mr. Parapar seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hernandez moved for approval of the minutes of February 10, 2003 meeting. Mr. Donn seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### III. CTAC UPDATE

(No report was given for this item).

#### IV. ACTION ITEM

## A. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

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Mrs. San Roman introduced the item.

Mr. Rawlinson moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

#### B. LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF A LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTRENATIVE FOR THE MIAMI-MIAMI BEACH TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR (BAY LINK) PROJECT AND TO ADVANCE THE PROJECT INTO THE NEXT PHASE BASED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DEIS) (MPO SECRETARIAT)

Mr. Mesa introduced Mr. Wilson Fernandez, MPO Project manager, and Mr. Larry Foust of Parsons Brinckeroff Quade & Douglas, Inc.

Mr. Foust provided the Council with a brief PowerPoint presentation providing updates on the Bay Link Study. (A copy of the presentation is available at the TPC Secretariat).

Some of the Council members expressed reservation of recommending a Locally Preferred Alternative without knowing what the City of Miami Beach preferred. It was also expressed by many Council Members that the TPC was responsible for providing the MPO Board with technical recommendations. There was further discussion regarding the lack of information provided to the Council that would allow for an adequate technical recommendation.

Mr. Mesa reminded the Council that the Bay Link Study had been presented to the Council on numerous occasions providing detailed information each visit. He further stated that many of the questions that the Council had could be addressed by the Consultant and also is provided in the Locally Preferred Alternative Report, which was attached to the agenda packages.

After much discussion, Mr. Rawlinson moved that the TPC approved a resolution recommending the MPO Board support a bi-directional two-track light rail system. The motion was seconded by Mr. Parapar and upon being put to a vote the resolution passed with one dissent.

## V. INFORMATION ITEMS

TRANSPORTATION ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT (TOD)
MASTER PLANS AND ORDINANCES FOR US 1 BUSWAY
EXTENSION COMMUNITY URBAN CENTERS (CUCs)

This item was **deferred** at the request of its sponsor.

**V. ADJOURNMENT** The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.